

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A rubber composition comprising
100 parts by weight of (A) a rubber component comprising natural
5 rubber and/or isoprene rubber,
4 to 6 parts by weight of (B) sulfur,
0.5 to 2.0 parts by weight of (C) a resin containing resorcin or a
derivative thereof,
0.5 to 2.0 parts by weight of (D) a compound capable of donating a
10 methylene group, and
(E) a cobalt metallic salt.
2. The rubber composition of Claim 1 which further
comprises 50 to 70 parts by weight of (F) carbon black having iodine
15 absorption of 70 to 120 (g/kg) and dibutyl phthalate oil absorption of 70
to 125 (10^{-5} m³/kg), based on 100 parts by weight of rubber component
(A).
3. The rubber composition of Claim 1 or 2, wherein the
20 content of cobalt in said cobalt metallic salt (E) is 0.05 to 0.2 part by
weight based on 100 parts of weight of rubber component (A).
4. A pneumatic tire having a strip comprising the rubber
composition of Claim 1, which is located on a breaker edge.